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THINKS OUTLOOK IS VERY BRIGHT

Hon. Samuel White, of Baker County, on the Chances of the Untried.

CHAMBERLAIN FOR GOVERNOR

Portland Man Will Probably Head the Democratic Ticket—Other Candidates Not Yet Announced.

Hon. Sam White, of Baker county, chairman of the Democratic central committee, and Hon. John H. Smith, of Astoria, were down by the sea waves Sunday talking politics. Mr. Smith was anxious to have Mr. White see him kill ducks, but the Baker county man makes rather an unfavorable report of Mr. Smith's hunting abilities. An Astorian representative found Mr. White at the Commercial Club yesterday afternoon. He was greatly interested in a bowling contest, and his inability to knock down pins was a source of some merriment.

"I bow just like John Smith shoots," said Mr. White. "He took me down to Clatsop Plains that I might witness the slaughter of countless thousands of ducks. We wallowed around in the snow for several hours and then gave it up as a bad job. My friend Smith may have a local reputation as a Nimrod, but he'll have to improve before he can keep up with the Baker pace."

"I'd like to know who could shoot when some enthusiastic politician is at his elbow, telling the hunter how the Democrats will beat the Republicans in the next June election," said Mr. Smith. "Why, every time I saw a duck Sam had some interesting story to tell me, and his narratives occupied all my attention. The next time I go duck hunting, I'll leave Sam White in town."

"But we had a pleasant outing," said Mr. White. "even if John can't kill any ducks. It's been some time since I've seen the ocean, and the old Pacific looked good to me. I might add that Astoria also presents an inviting appearance. I was last here in 1894 and the city has made great strides since that time. Down here you have a metropolitan way of doing business that isn't found in most Oregon cities. I must confess I was surprised not only with the size of Astoria, but with the busy appearance of the city. I expect to see a big town here within a very few years. I have been in many different sections of Oregon during the past few months, and everywhere I go I hear of Astoria and the efforts being made by its business citizens to start new enterprises. Oregon needs a big city at the mouth of the Columbia, and I'm awfully glad she's going to have it."

PEEBLING THE POLITICAL PULSE.

"What is the object of your visit to Astoria, Mr. White?" was asked. "Well, I came here to feel the political pulse," was the reply of the energetic Baker man. "I want to find out just how much we can expect from all Oregon counties, and I came down to talk with your prominent Democrats. It is very necessary that I should become thoroughly acquainted with local conditions in all the counties, and the best way to get at the situation is to consult with the prominent men. As you have noticed, the call for the meeting of the state central committee is also an invitation to Democrats of prominence to attend the meeting. I want to see good men put up for office everywhere—the very best men we can find."

"What are the party's chances of success in the state election?"

"Very good. All over the state the Democrats are hopeful and in better working shape than ever before. They are no longer divided on national issues, but will be able to present a solid front to the enemy in June. It is my belief that the Republican majorities of the past two elections do not faithfully portray the situation in Oregon, nor the strength of the respective parties. Politically things have been in a chaotic condition, and in the confusion of 1896 and 1900 many Democrats were lost to us. Now they have returned, and I figure that we have only a 5000 or 6000 majority to go against. With a united party, we ought to elect good men."

POSSIBLE CANDIDATES.

Asked who he regarded as the probable gubernatorial candidate, Mr. White said:

"It seems to be pretty generally conceded that George E. Chamberlain, of Portland, will head our ticket. I find sentiment strongly in favor of his nomination all over the state. Of course, there may be other candidates when the time arrives, but Mr. Chamberlain is certainly a strong favorite

at present. I think he will demonstrate that he is as popular throughout the state as in Multnomah county, where he was victorious over the Republican machine.

"As far as other state officers are concerned, few names have as yet been mentioned. Active candidates will doubtless announce themselves later on. It's just a little too early yet to talk about candidates. The work at present is merely of a preliminary character, and all the talk about candidates is purely incidental."

PARTY'S CHANCES BRIGHT.

Mr. White is very anxious that strong men shall be put up in all the counties. He wants to see the Democrats nominate legislative candidates who might with credit represent Oregon in the United States senate. He believes nomination of brainy men will help the state ticket to a very material extent, and everywhere he goes he impresses upon local leaders the necessity of strong county tickets.

"We have been figuring on state candidates," continued Mr. White. "and I can say we will have an aggregation of talent that ought to win. We have lots of material to select from, and, as the Democrats have been made to see that it is a duty they owe their party organization, we can select nominees who will poll the fullest possible vote."

"Several conditions combine to make our chances better than for years past, but it is too early to talk about these matters. You can say, however, that we are full of hope, and that, even if we are not awfully successful in the coming election, we will at least have perfected our party organization, united our factions and placed ourselves in shape to give the Republicans a run in future elections."

Mr. White left last night for Portland. The state central committee will meet there on Thursday, and Captain J. E. Campbell, the Clatsop representative, will attend the meeting. Other prominent Democrats have also been urged by Mr. White to attend the gathering, and several Astorians will be present.

WOMEN IMPERATE

STARTLING STATEMENT OF BISHOP COLEMAN.

Wealthy and Fashionable Indulgently Indulge in the Use of Intoxicants.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The Right Rev. Leighton Coleman, Episcopal bishop of Delaware, who startled his hearers in a mission address at New Brunswick, N. J., by the statement that there is an alarming increase of intemperance among women along with a decrease of intemperance among men, has repeated the statement and added assertions equally interesting. He says that his opinion had been formed only after exhaustive investigation and observation of conditions in this country and abroad.

Bishop Coleman said that a newspaper hostile to his views set on foot an inquiry in New York with a view of disproving his charge. Committees of impartial citizens went to the various fashionable hotels and women's restaurants, taking notes of the orders of patrons. They found that to take wines, cordials, even whiskey with one meal was an almost invariable rule among the wealthy and fashionable set. Not only this but in so-called tea rooms intoxicants were served to women who ordered them without even the pretense of ordering a meal.

"Intemperance among women, however," said the bishop, "is not confined to the women of the wealthy and fashionable class. The use of stimulants, medicines, bracers, tonics and all similar devices serving as a mask for the liquor habit, is becoming more general among the middle classes. In England conditions are worse even than here."

HIGH GRADE PARAFFINE.

Much Excitement in Malheur Over First Oil Strike.

BAKER CITY, Jan. 27.—A messenger arrived in Baker City today, bringing with him a bottle of the first oil struck in the Malheur basin. The oil came from the Newell well, a short distance from the town of Namah, and was obtained at a depth of 110 feet. The oil analyzed 78 per cent paraffine, the highest grade of natural oil known. Much excitement prevails. Two miles from Newell well oil has been reached at a depth of 450 feet. This well can now pump 25 barrels per day.

RELEASE EXPECTED HOURLY.

DJAMALA, Roumania, Jan. 27.—The release of Miss Stone and Mme. Thellin is now expected hourly. At the request of the American negotiators, the government has granted the former entire freedom to cross and re-cross the frontier so as to facilitate the liberation of the captives.

A GIANT BLAST KILLS SIX PEOPLE

High Explosives Blown Up at Shaft of Rapid Transit Tunnel New York City.

HUNDRED OTHERS INJURED

Buildings in the Neighborhood Demolished and Much Damage Done for Several Blocks.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—A reserve supply of high explosives stored at the Park avenue shaft of the Rapid Transit tunnel, now in course of construction, blew up shortly after noon today. The giant blast killed six persons, injured a hundred others and seriously damaged all the property reached by the flying debris and the vibration of the shock.

The Murray Hill Hotel, Manhattan, Eye and Ear hospital, Grand Union Hotel and Grand Central station, sustained the greatest damage, but the area extended for several blocks.

The killed were: CYRUS ADAMS, JAMES CARR, HEINE, J. RODERICK ROBERTSON, of Nelson, B. C.

WILLIAM (or Charles) TIBBS, IRA A. SHALER.

The list of injured is exceedingly long, but most of those in it have only cuts caused by flying glass.

J. Broderick Robertson was killed by debris hurled with the force of artillery into his room at the Murray Hill Hotel. He was general manager in Canada for the British Columbia Gold Fields Company, Ltd.

The explosion sent a mass of earth, splintered timber and twisted iron high in the air. Much of it went battering against the front of the Murray Hill Hotel, and nearly every room in the front of the house was wrecked.

The Manhattan eye and ear hospital faced nearly as bad and had to be abandoned by the management. The Grand Union Hotel lost all the windows and practically every front window in the Grand Central station was shattered.

The great clocks on its front towers were blown from their places. Thousands of windows, some of them seven blocks from the tunnel shaft, fell in fragments. It was a shower of broken glass and fallen debris that injured the greatest number.

Ira A. Shaler, engineer in chief in charge of the work at Park avenue; John Bracken, foreman and Martin McGrath, assistant foreman, were placed under arrest charged with homicide.

THE RIGHT TO CRITICIZE.

Animated Discussion in Senate Over Late Remarks of General Wheaton.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—An animated and prolonged discussion was precipitated in the senate today over the right of army officers to criticize utterances made in the senate or elsewhere on the conduct of affairs in the Philippines.

Rising to a question of privilege early in the session Dubois, of Idaho, had read an Associated Press dispatch from Manila in which General Wheaton was quoted as criticizing some utterances of Professor Schurman in a speech delivered in Boston. Dubois thought the president would be warranted in reprimanding General Wheaton for his utterances. He declared that such comment upon the action of the senate was "outrageous and indecent," and that the minority had had quite enough of threats and blackmail.

The debate thus precipitated took a wide range.

PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The president today sent the following nominations to the senate:

Postmasters: Idaho—Warren C. Fenton, Boise; John L. Underwood, Montpelier; Wesley W. Pritchett, Weiser. Washington: Alphonso F. Learned, Port Townsend; William A. Buckley, Sprague; Edwin L. Brunton, Walla Walla; Jos G. Tuttle, Waterville.

DID ENGLAND INTERFERE.

What Intimate Friend of Late President Says Regarding Spanish-American War.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The Washington correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says:

"It is learned from an intimate friend of the late President McKinley that the European coalition against the Spanish-American war was dissolved by the avowed intention of

Great Britain to use other means than diplomacy."

The Chronicle in an editorial on this dispatch says:

"America as a whole has not shown herself invariably friendly during our troubles in South Africa, but this clear statement of America's debt to England should make an impression even on those classes who have hitherto regarded us askance."

PROTEST AGAINST POLICE.

Representative Tongue Presents a Long Petition to President.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Representative Tongue, of Oregon, called on the president today and presented a long petition signed by members of the courts of his state, members of the legislature and prominent citizens generally protesting against what they understood to be the new policy of the interior department as to the policing of forest reservations.

The petitioners insist that the forest rangers now employed, who are well acquainted with their duties and perform them faithfully should be retained, and the policing of the parks not turned over to inexperienced men.

KILLED BY AN ELK.

Frank Purdalo Gored to Death at Piedmont Springs Park.

OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 27.—Frank Purdalo, aged 18 years, was gored to death by a vicious elk he was feeding at Piedmont Springs Park. Young Purdalo and Lester Spencer, the jockey, had taken some hay and barley into the corral to feed the five elk confined there. The largest elk was in a vicious mood, and made a dash for Purdalo. The prongs of the animal's antlers caught him in the right groin.

With the youth's body upon its antlers, the elk ran about the corral two or three times and then tossed the boy over an eight foot fence into the road, where he died in a few moments.

DRIVER'S CARELESS ACT

TOOK CARRIAGE OVER ELEVATED TRACKS.

Chased by Policemen and Several Shots Fired—Occupants Badly Scared.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—While returning from a funeral, Charles Spaulding drove his carriage upon the Chicago & Northwestern Railway's elevated tracks at Diversity Boulevard.

A woman and a girl who were in the vehicle, a third occupant became hysterical, two express trains were flagged by the police, and several shots were fired at the hilarious driver before he was arrested. Policemen from three stations joined in chase and finally succeeded in saving Spaulding and his cab from destruction under the trucks of the Kenosha express near the Foster avenue station of the Northwestern, after he had driven at least a mile over the elevated roadway.

The occupants of the carriage were Mrs. John Griffin, 60 years old, her 15-year-old daughter Alice, and Miss Jennie Jennings, of Detroit. Mrs. Griffin became hysterical and she is now at her home in a serious condition.

HOGS DYING AT PENDLETON.

PENDLETON, Jan. 27.—Between 200 and 300 hogs have died in this section during the last few weeks of an unknown disease, supposed by many persons to be hog cholera.

HUMAN MONSTER SEEN IN IDAHO

Residents of Chesterfield Excited Over Appearance of Eight-Foot Hairy Man.

WAS FIRST SEEN BY SKATERS

Started to Attack Party Which Managed to Escape in Wagons—Twenty Men Sent in Pursuit.

SALT LAKE, Jan. 27.—According to the Pocatello (Idaho) correspondent of the Deseret News, a terrible monster has made its appearance in the Sawtooth mountain district, and the presence of the thing has terrorized the inhabitants of a whole town. The Sawtooth mountains are said to be the home of various types of monsters, but this latest discovery is described as the most terrible of all.

The monster is human, eight feet in height and covered with long hair, and the residents of the little town of Chesterfield, Bannock county, are greatly excited over his appearance. He was first seen on January 14, when he appeared among a party of young people skating on the Portneuf river. The creature, flourishing a great club and uttering blood-curdling yells, started to attack the skaters, but the latter managed to reach their wagons and drove at breakneck speed from the river.

Those who saw the monster say it is eight feet high and of a terrifying appearance, with the form of a giant and the actions of a wild beast. A party of armed citizens that returned from the river found the creature's tracks in the snow. Measurements showed the tracks to be 22 inches long and seven inches broad. People living in the neighborhood have sent 20 armed men to effect the capture of the monster, pending which the community is terrorstricken.

The district in which the human monster has made its appearance is that in which bald-faced bears are said to live. These animals are reported to be very ferocious, and it is related that they follow the tracks of man or domestic beast until they run down their prey.

IMMORTALITY OF THE SOUL.

Dr. Parkhurst Declares Against the Popular Evangelical Belief.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—In a sermon on "Immortality" the Rev. Dr. Chas. H. Parkhurst, in the Madison Square Presbyterian church, declared against the popular evangelical belief that all souls are immortal. He expressly gave it as his opinion that the scriptures do not teach immortality of a soul from death and that the soul must be taken care of in this life, else it will perish utterly, either at the death of the body or after a longer or shorter period of the life beyond the grave.

Dr. Parkhurst said in part:

"There is nothing in scripture or in things that encourages us to feel that a soul can be kept from dying any more than a body, unless it is taken care of. There is no warrant from bible or from nature for supposing that a soul carries within itself a policy of insurance against its own eventual delirium."

The sermon is attracting some attention owing to the fact that that most Presbyterian adhere to a belief in the doctrine of immortality of the soul.

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